

I am writing to urge you to reject NAB's petition 04-160. XM Radio's services, which I pay for monthly, have proven to be a great addition to the services already provided by local over-the-air radio. I find it is a great source, not only of entertainment, but also information. The many stations provided allow me to go directly to the information needed immediately, and not have to wait for periodic "news hours" or "traffic updates." The fact that there are channels devoted only to news, sports, weather, traffic, etc. are of enormous use in getting what I need, when I need it. By not allowing XM to have channels devoted directly to traffic, you would not only take away the great convenience and increased usefulness of it, but also taking away a potential device for improved traffic flow and, quite possibly, of increased driver safety.